BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Penalty Assessment Against UMPQUA INDIAN DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION, in the Amount of \$100 DOCKET1 UT-081137

COMMISSION STAFF'S RESPONSE TO UMPQUA'S APPLICATION FOR MITIGATION

Pursuant to WAC 480-07-370(1)(c), Staff of the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission Staff) submits this response¹ to Umpqua's Application for Mitigation.

On July 8, 2008, the Commission assessed a penalty of \$100 against Umpqua Indian Development Corporation (Umpqua) for violating WAC 480-120-382. Umpqua filed an Application for Mitigation on July 31, 2008. Commission Staff opposes Umpqua's Application for Mitigation because it was untimely, as set forth in the attached declaration of Sheri Hoyt.

DATED this 8th day of August, 2008.

Respectfully submitted,

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¹ Please note that this response does not come from the Commission but from Commission Staff. Commission Staff is a party in this case and is separate from the Commission. The Commission will be the ultimate decision maker in this matter. An Administrative Law Judge will consider Umpqua's statements and Commission Staff's statements and will issue a decision. The Commission may accept, modify, or reject that decision.